American Indian and Native Studies, Minor

The undergraduate minor in American Indian and Native Studies requires a minimum of 15 s.h., including 12 s.h. taken at the University of Iowa. Students must maintain a g.p.a. of at least 2.00 in all courses for the minor and in all UI courses for the minor. Course work in the minor may not be taken pass/nonpass. Students may count a maximum of 6 s.h. of course work from a major toward the American Indian and Native Studies Program (AINSP) minor.

A student may earn the minor or the certificate in American Indian and Native Studies, but not both.

The minor in American Indian and Native Studies requires the following course work.

This course:
- AINS:1049/AMST:1049 Introduction to American Indian and Native Studies 3

One of these:
- AINS:3002/HIST:3202 Introduction to American Indian History and Policy 3
- AINS:3441/ENGL:3441 Native American Literature 3

At least 3 s.h. from these: 
- AINS:3276/RELS:3976 American Indian Environmentalism 3
- AINS:4990 Independent Study arr.

And:
Electives numbered 2000 or above chosen from "Associated Courses" below and courses with the prefix AINS 6

Associated Courses

AINSP accepts the following courses as electives. Although these courses are not offered by AINSP, they are concerned in part with Native North Americans or other indigenous peoples of the Americas. Students may petition the AINSP faculty for permission to use other relevant courses as electives for the undergraduate minor.

**Anthropology**
- ANTH:2220 Archaeology of Mesoamerica 3
- ANTH:3265 Archaeology of the Great Plains 3

**Art and Art History**
- ARTH:3120/LAS:3120 The Art of Ancient Mexico 3
- ARTH:3990 Topics in Art History (when content is appropriate) 3

**Education**
- EPLS:5123 History of Ethnic/Minority Education 3

**English**
- ENGL:2410 Selected American Authors After 1900 (when content is appropriate) 2-3
- ENGL:3418 Literature and Culture of America Before 1800 3
- ENGL:3419 Literature and Culture of Nineteenth-Century America 3
- ENGL:3444 Literatures of the American Peoples 3

**History**
- HIST:4221 The Frontier in American History 1840-Present 3
- HIST:4510 Colonial Latin America 3

**Spanish and Portuguese**
- SPAN:3220 Visual Culture: Colonial Spanish America 3
- SPAN:4330 Colonial Spanish American Literature 3

**Cultural Experience**

The program highly recommends that students have an in-depth American Indian cultural experience, usually through study or volunteer work, before they complete their undergraduate requirements. Consult AINSP faculty advisors about available options.